

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Norihiko FUCHIGAMI et al.	:	
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application before examination.

Cancel claims 1-12.

Add new claims 13-16.

Amend the specification.